

Clark-Wood House  
North side of High Street, south of the  
southwest corner of the town common  
Wiscasset  
Lincoln County  
Maine

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Address: North side of High Street, south of the southwest corner of the town common, Wiscasset, Lincoln County, Maine.

Present Owner and Occupant: Mr. Charles G. Chase

Present Use: Dwelling.

Brief Statement of Significance: This is an unusual example of a double house.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Original and subsequent owners: Originally owned separately and occupied by Henry Clark and Captain George H. Wood. Subsequently owned by descendants of Clark, Captain Jonathan Edwards Scott, Mrs. Walter G. Chase, Mr. Charles G. Chase.

B. Date of erection: 1852.

C. Sources of information: William David Patterson, Old Wiscasset, revised by J. B. Doggett (Augusta, Maine: The Augusta Press, 1951).

Fannie S. Chase, Wiscasset in Pownalborough (Wiscasset, Maine, 1941), p. 558.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

## A. General Statement

1. Over-all size: Medium-size, double house, rectangular, two stories, three-bay facade with projecting center bay for double entrances, facing east.

2. Foundations: Large cut blocks of granite.

3. Wall construction: Frame, flush board siding, paneled corner Doric pilasters.

4. Porches: Two-story, double entrance porch at center bay; three, square, paneled colossal Doric columns; pediment; large, flat, sawn ornament on pilasters, balcony front and pediment.

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5. Chimneys: Two inside brick chimneys.

6. Openings:

a. Doorways and doors: Two entrance doors in porch. Doors have two, tall, vertical panels, flat panels with heavy moldings; plain doorway with side lights and top lights.

b. Windows and shutters: Large, double-hung windows, six-light sash, fixed louvered shutters. Panels between upper and lower floor windows filled with sawn ornament similar to that on porch.

7. Roof:

a. Shape, covering: Gable roof, asphalt shingles.

b. Cornice: Simple entablature with molded cornice carried around house. Pedimented gable ends at the sides.

c. Dormers: Two, gabled dormers on the front, centered above the outside bays.

B. Site: House faces east on a level, medium-sized lot in a residential district of a small town; set back from the street about 50'.

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